

New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau

To:

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From:

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Date:

10/27/2005

Re:

Review by NH Natural Heritage Bureau of request dated 10/24/2005

NHB File ID: NHB-5358

Town: Franconia

Project type: soil excavation

Location: Project #05048, Former

Franconia Texaco

I have searched our database for records of rare species and exemplary natural communities near the area identified in your request. The species considered include all those officially listed as Threatened or Endangered by either the state of New Hampshire or the federal government. We currently have no recorded occurrences for sensitive species near this project area.

A negative result (no record in our database) does not mean that a sensitive species is not present. Our data can only tell you of known occurrences, based on information gathered by qualified biologists and reported to our office. However, many areas have never been surveyed, or have only been surveyed for certain species. For some purposes, including legal requirements for state wetland permits, the fact that no species of concern are known to be present is sufficient. However, an on-site survey would provide better information on what species and communities are indeed present.

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